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Mrs Rhona Prime, 37, who reported her husband, Geoffrey, to police after he had told her of sexual offences involving young girls—and his espionage activities.

I forgive him, says wife

By ALAN COPPS

MRS RHONA PRIME, who took the agonising decision to inform police about her husband's spying activities, publicly forgave him before being helped weeping from the Old Bailey's No. 1 court yesterday.

"I intend to stand by my husband. As a Christian I can only utterly condemn the terrible crimes he has committed.

"But I know in my heart, as a Christian I can forgive him because he is totally repentant and remorseful and is so full of guilt. He is a broken man," she told the Lord Chief Justice, Lord Lane.

Mrs Prime, 37, who works as a school meals supervisor, was dressed in a light grey suit and a broad brimmed hat with bright blue ribbon.

'Total shock'

She first told of her reaction when Prime confessed to her on April 27 that he had carried out three sexual assaults on young girls.

"It was total shock. I knew nothing about it all," she said. His confession of espionage on the same evening came as an equal shock.

The following morning, Prime confessed to Hereford police about the sex attacks and was taken into custody.

It was three weeks later, while he was in custody, that Mrs Prime discovered her husband's espionage equipment. She took advice from her

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